

Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel Claim 8 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claims 1, 2 and 5 to read as follows.

1. (Currently amended) A recording apparatus for recording on a recording material by use of a recording head, said apparatus comprising:

a carriage for mounting a recording head;

a ~~carriage~~ circuit board electrically connectable to the recording head, said ~~carriage~~ circuit board being attached to a wall of said carriage on a side of said wall that faces the recording head and having a detection portion of an encoder for detecting a position of said carriage; and

a pressurized pin provided on said ~~carriage~~ circuit board, said pressurized pin being ~~formed of metal and~~ in contact with a contact face of the recording head mounted on said carriage.

2. (Currently amended) A recording apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein fixation of said ~~carriage~~ circuit board to said carriage is made by contact pressure between said ~~carriage~~ circuit board and said carriage.

Claim 3 (cancelled)

4. (Previously presented) A recording apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein a carriage cover having a guiding portion for installing the recording head on said carriage is provided on said carriage.

5. (Currently amended) A recording apparatus according to Claim 4, wherein a hiding portion for hiding said ~~carriage~~ circuit board is formed on said carriage cover along with said guiding portion.

6. (Original) A recording apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said recording head is an ink jet recording head for discharging ink from ink discharge ports.

7. (Previously presented) A recording apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein said ink jet recording head comprises an electrothermal converting element for generating thermal energy to be utilized for discharging ink.

Claim 8 (cancelled)